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The Eagles picked up a 5-2 win in South Carolina

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CLINTON, S.C.- The Georgia Southern women's tennis team got back on track on Saturday, defeating Presbyterian 5-2 after coming off of a loss last week to bring their spring season record to 2-1.

"I very proud of our team and the fight they showed on the court today," head coach [Michele Stanford](#) said. "We knew that PC would be a tough team to beat this year, and each individual on our team knew they had to remain focused on using their strengths to attack their opponent's weaknesses."

The Eagles started off strong, winning the third line of doubles but couldn't grab the other two matches. But despite being behind 1-0 early, the Blue and White rallied to win

five out of six singles matches.

"Although we lost a tight doubles point early on in the match, I was impressed with how our team bounced back and changed the tempo of the match so quickly," Stanford said.

[Giulia Riepe](#) (No.1) picked up the first point after taking down Ferrari of Presbyterian in straight sets. [Mary Phillips Smith](#) and [Lindsay Truscott](#) finished off their opponents next, before [Mariana Ranzahuer](#) lost to a tough line-two Johnson. However, both [Emilia Bujan](#) (No.4) and [Francisca Norregaard](#) (No.5) battled back to earn singles points after losing the first set. Norregaard, who earned her first singles win of the spring, contributed the team win to just that—the team.

"We really came together as a team and competed for each other," Norregaard said.

"The energy was great and we were all very supportive both on and off court. Our team chemistry was unbelievable and we are confident we will keep getting better from here."

RESULTS

Georgia Southern 5, Presbyterian 2

Singles

1. [Giulia Riepe](#) (GSU) def. [Caroline Ferrari](#) (PC) 6-2, 6-1
2. [Tracy Johnson](#) (PC) def. [Mariana Ranzahuer](#) (GSU) 6-3, 7-5
3. [Lindsay Truscott](#) (GSU) def. [Demi Henschel](#) (PC) 7-5, 6-4
4. [Emilia Bujan](#) (GSU) def. [Brittany Nuttall](#) (PC) 4-6, 6-1, 7-5
5. [Francisca Norregaard](#) (GSU) def. [Claire-Mitchell Andrews](#) (PC) 4-6, 6-4, 6-1
6. [Mary Phillips Smith](#) (GSU) def. [Nicole Croxton](#) (PC) 7-5, 6-4

Doubles

1. [Caroline Ferrari/Demi Henschel](#) (PC) def. [Francisca Norregaard/Lindsay Truscott](#) (GSU) 6-4
2. [Claire-Mitchell Andrews/Tracy Johnson](#) (PC) def. [Mariana Ranzahuer/Emilia Bujan](#) (GSU) 6-4
3. [Mary Phillips Smith/Giulia Riepe](#) (GSU) def. [Brittany Nuttall/Nicole Croxton](#) (PC) 6-3

UP NEXT

The Eagles are up for a busy weekend in Montgomery, Alabama, facing Alabama State on Friday, Jacksonville State on Saturday and Kennesaw State on Sunday.

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